





## NSF Graduate Research Internship Program (GRIP) NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)

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#### Why NSF Graduate Research Fellows and NOAA?

- High quality graduate students (US citizens, nationals, perm. residents) selected by an independent national competitive process
- Pursuing research-based MS/PhD in STEM fields at U.S. institutions
- Fellowship support gives Fellows greater independence: time and freedom to do their own research
- Fellows more likely than other graduate students to be engaged in research and development as a primary work activity in their careers
- Workforce development: Agency can establish connections with Fellows at an early stage of their careers



#### What is the GRFP? Goals and Key Elements

- To select, recognize, and financially support individuals early in their careers with the demonstrated potential to be high achieving scientists and engineers
- To broaden participation in science and engineering of underrepresented groups, including women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and veterans

#### Five Year Award to individual students - \$138,000

- Three years of financial support
  - \$34,000 Stipend per year
  - \$12,000 Educational allowance to institution



- 2010 2016: 2,000 Fellowships each year
  - 2016: 16,000 Applications ~12.5% success rate

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#### **GRFP Reach**

# ~ 8,000 NSF Graduate Research Fellows are from 488 baccalaureate institutions and conduct research towards their master's or doctoral degree at 220 graduate schools



NSF GRFP impacts every state and territory of the U.S.



#### **GRFP Successes**

- 50,000 Fellows
- 42 Nobel Laureates
- 450 Members of the National Academy of Sciences

- Higher Ph.D. completion rates
- Greater % of women and URM than national population of PhD completers



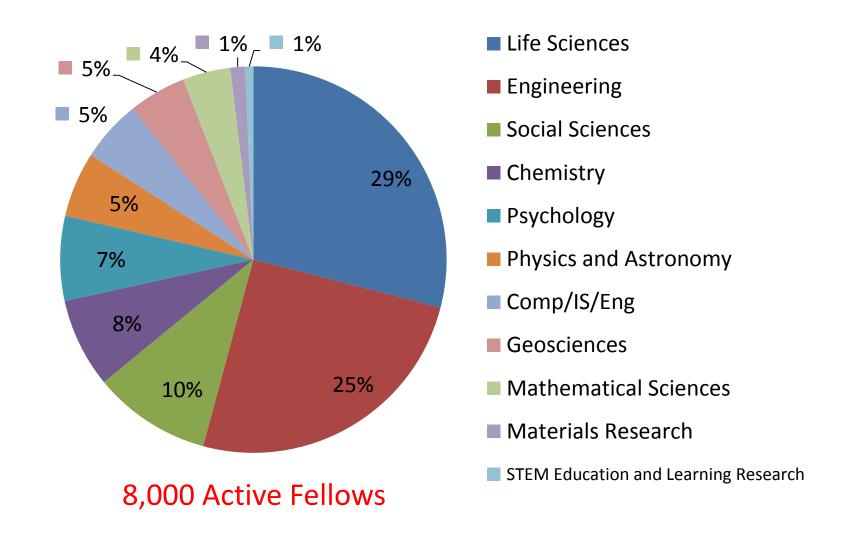
The Multiplex Automated Genome Engineering (MAGE) platform. Credit: Harris Wang, PhD, Harvard University







#### **Fields of Study of Current Fellows**



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#### **NOAA-related activities**

#### Key Words:

- Risk 220 Fellows (76 in the social sciences)
- Ocean 147 Fellows
- Adaptation 101 Fellows
- Coast 61 Fellows
- Resilience 45 Fellows

#### Examples of Fellows' research key words using Risk:

- coral reefs, resilience, social-ecological, Fiji
- marine ecology, biodiversity-ecosystem function relationships, rockfish recruitment, kelp forest
- migration, heterogeneity, common pool resource management, fisheries, social networks, Baja California



#### **GRFP Diversity**



#### **Demographics of current Fellows**

Women 53% URM

RM

25%

## NSF Graduate Research Fellow Tonya N. Williams

- NSF Fellow at North Carolina (Fiber and Polymer Science Program)
- Her interest in chemistry, color and their applications, paired with an awareness of the toxicological profile of various colorants, has motivated her to pursue a career in green chemistry.
- She is focusing on designing environmentally benign hair colorants.

Credit: Amanda Padbury, North Carolina State Unversity College of Textiles

## Discovery: Celebrating Black History Month with our NSF Fellows

http://www.nsf.gov/discoveries/disc
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#### **GRFP Interns**

NSF Graduate Research Fellow & Graduate Research Intern (NOAA)

#### **Emma Fuller**

- NSF Fellow at Princeton (Ecology and Evolutionary Biology)
- GRIP Fellow in Conservation Biology Division of the Northwest Fisheries
   Science Center (NWFSC) (6 months in 2016):
- Topic: ecological causes and social consequences of alternative fishing strategies on the US West Coast (host: J. Samhouri)

"What's particularly exciting about this opportunity is that represents, almost completely, the type of work I hope to do as a career: it uses big data to examine the interaction between people and the environment and consider implications for natural resource management and conservation. Further, this opportunity gives me a chance to experience what research is like in a government setting, helping me to make informed decisions about future job prospects."



#### **Graduate Research Internship Program (GRIP)**

- GRIP provides GRFP Fellows with opportunities to develop their professional skills and networks
- Fellows conduct mission-related, collaborative research projects at federal facilities and national laboratories
- Pilot program
  - FY2014: Program and partnership development
  - FY2015: 25 Internships (\$125,000); develop new partnerships
  - FY2016: 75 Internships (\$375,000)
- GRIP has launched!!! www.nsf.gov/grip
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#### **Professional Development for NSF Fellows**

**GRIP** 

NSF DCLs: 14-084;

16-015

**Nordic Research Opportunity** (NRO)

NSF DCLs: 09-064; 10-073; 12-006

**Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide** (GROW)

NSF DCLs: 13-022; 14-005; 16-012

2009 2010 2011 2012 2015 2016 2013 2014





### **Benefits of Agency-GRFP Collaboration**

NSF and Agency GRIP partnership	Agency	Fellow GRIP Intern
<ul> <li>Prepare and engage a diverse STEM workforce motivated to participate at the frontiers by providing authentic research experiences</li> <li>Build the capacity of the nation's citizenry for addressing societal challenges through projects that address national needs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Engage high-quality graduate students in basic and applied research projects; conduct Agency-related research</li> <li>Attract students to Agency careers by engaging them in projects in areas of national needs</li> <li>Public outreach for Agency</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Access to research collaborators, facilities and resources</li> <li>Authentic career experiences</li> <li>Exposure to career opportunities in federal agencies, for self and for others</li> <li>Develop transferable skills, career coaching, mentoring, project management and teamwork</li> </ul>
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#### **GRIP Announcement**

#### **Due Dates**

Dec 4 and May 6

**NSF 16-015** 

Dear Colleague Letter: NSF Graduate Research Internship Program (GRIP)

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